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**From:** Wisniewski, Patti-Kay  
**Sent:** Tue 6/23/2015 2:48:30 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Status/info on Susquehanna due to Miller Chemical Fire

Neil,

A short update from PADEP about the situation. If they send us any data, we will share with you.

Patti Kay

**From:** Nesmith, Rodney [mailto:rnesmith@pa.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2015 10:31 AM  
**To:** Wisniewski, Patti-Kay; Chescattie, Edgar  
**Subject:** RE: Status/info on Susquehanna due to Miller Chemical Fire

Patti Kay,

The Department is not aware of any impacts at Wrightsville. SRBC/DEP modeling shows TOC would've essentially been background by the time the contaminant plume reached that point. And, it's my understanding Wrightsville's lab sample results were found to be normal for everything for which they sampled, prior to returning the intake to service. (Recall they voluntarily took the intake out of service and lived off raw water storage in a quarry for several days. They took the intake out of service based on time-of-travel estimates.)

All of that said, I don't recall seeing the Wrightsville results (been just a tad busy here). I'll ask my staff to obtain copies of the data and will forward it to you when I get it.

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**To:** Nesmith, Rodney; Chescattie, Edgar  
**Subject:** Status/info on Susquehanna due to Miller Chemical Fire

Rod or Ed,

Do you have any information to share with us on water quality? MDE is asking due to interest by water suppliers downstream.

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<http://www.epa.gov/reg3wapd/drinking/security.htm#climatechange>

**From:** rogers, rick  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 23, 2015 10:03 AM

**To:** Wisniewski, Patti-Kay  
**Subject:** FW: Susquehanna

MDE is still hoping to get information on water quality data that Wrightsville, PA was supposed to have collected at their intake as a result of the Miller Chemical Fire and contaminated runoff (see Neil Winner's message, below).

Sounds like Baltimore City is planning on running their Susquehanna intake pumps to do a test on them and I guess they want to make sure that they are not going to be inhaling contaminated water.

The situation in Hanover/New Oxford over the past weekend got a bit more tenuous since the containment pond created to capture the contaminated runoff filled up due to heavy rains and Miller Chemical and their contractors hadn't yet found a WWTP to take the water as of Friday. There was a possibility of the pond overflowing into the Conawego Creek, again.

Thanks,

Rick

Rick Rogers

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**From:** Neil Winner -MDE- [<mailto:neil.winner@maryland.gov>]  
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**To:** rogers, rick  
**Subject:** Fwd: Susquehanna

Hi Rick,

Have there been any results yet from the water quality testing from PADEP for Wrightsville? Baltimore City is looking to test their Deer Creek Pump Station next Wednesday, 6/30.

Thanks,

Neil

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Neil,

Any news on the water quality in the Susquehanna? We are trying to schedule a vibration test on one of the pumps on 6/30/15.

Jay

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